patients without conducting any by pass surgery by an institution called Bhartiya Ayourvedic Sansthan.

(b) Question does not arise.

WB aid for National Rural Health Mission

575. SHRI JESUDASU SEELAM:
DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have aproved launch of a National Rural Health Mission with Rs. 3,700 crores credit grants-in-aid from multilateral agencies;

(b) whether Government have also approved a proposal to initiate negotiations with World Bank for credit support of Rs 1575 crores and for grant-in-aid support for Department for International Development (DFID) for Fs. 2,125 crores for RCH-II programme to supplement resources of National Rural Health Mission; and

(c) if so, by what time final decision is likely to be taken and the areas to be covered during 2005-06?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The financial support of the World Bank and the DFID to the RCH programme is likely to be finalized within the first quarter of 2005-06 and it will cover the Reproductive and Child Health components of the programme which will be taken up for implementation in all the States and Union Territories of the country.

Fast connecting trains

†576. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had announced to start fast connecting trains to connect various parts of the country during the last year;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.